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CHAPTER 38

AN ACT to renumber 48.45 (4) and (5); to amend 48.45 (3); and to create 947.15 (2) of the statutes, relating to corrections in the children's code and criminal code.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 48.45 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.45 (3) If it appears at a juvenile court hearing that any person 18 or older has violated * * * * s. 947.15, the judge shall refer the record to the district attorney for * * * such criminal proceedings as may be warranted in the district attorney's judgment. This subsection does not prevent prosecution of violations of s. 947.15 without such prior reference by the judge to the district attorney, as in other criminal cases.

SECTION 2. 48.45 (4) and (5) of the statutes are renumbered 947.15 (1) and 48.45 (4), respectively.

SECTION 3. 947.15 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

947.15 (2) An act or failure to act contributes to the delinquency or neglect of a child, although the child does not actually become neglected or delinquent, if the natural and probable consequences of that act or failure to act would be to cause the child to become delinquent or neglected.

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